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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. JP HEI 10-78566, which was published on March 24, 1998, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,056,401 to SHIRAYANAGI, which issued on May 2, 2000. Applicant notes that the Japanese patent document is discussed on pages 1 and 2 of the specification of the present application;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 4-45419, which was published on February 14, 1992, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 5,270,746 to KATO et al., which issued on December 14, 1993. Applicant notes that the Japanese patent document is discussed on pages 1-3 of the specification of the present application;

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0067462 to SHIRAYANAGI, which was published on June 6, 2002; and

U.S. Patent No. 6,715,875 to OBARA, which issued on April 6, 2004.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publication are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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